

REMARKS

There are now pending in this application claims 8, 10, 12, 15-17, and 19.

Claims 1-7, 9, 11, 13, 14, and 18 have been cancelled without prejudice or waiver of their subject matter.

In the outstanding Official Action, the Examiner identified claims 8, 10, 12, 15-17, and 19 as reciting patentable subject matter and being allowable if rewritten in independent form. As the Examiner will appreciate, each of those claims has been rewritten into independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Accordingly, each is now in condition for allowance.

The remaining claims pending in this application have been cancelled. It is Applicants' present intent to file a divisional application directed to the subject matter therein.

This application is now in condition for allowance. Favorable consideration and early passage to issue of the above application are respectfully sought.

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